

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the reference to the prior application in paragraph 1 with the following:

"This application is a continuation of co-pending application Serial No. 09/088,817, filed June 1, 1998, now a reissue application, which is a continuation-in-part of co-pending application 09/082,128, filed May 20, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,137,057."

REMARKS

Applicants have amended the specification to fully identify the complete chain of related applications linking the present application to U.S. Patent No. 6,137,057. The present application is a continuation of co-pending application Serial No. 09/088,817 filed June 1, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,244,193 (the " '193 Patent"). During the prosecution of the '193 Patent, Applicants inadvertently failed to claim priority by omitting a reference to earlier filed, co-pending application 09/082,128 filed May 20, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,137,057. To correct the omission of the reference, Applicants have filed for reissue of the '193 Patent and have amended the specification of the '193 Patent to include the priority reference. In light of the application for reissue of the parent case, Applicants have amended the reference in the present case to link the present application to the earliest filed reference, U.S. Patent No. 6,137,057. This reference is being submitted during the pendency of the application and within four months from the actual filing date of the application as required by 37 C.F.R. §1.78.